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An aerial night photograph of a city skyline, likely Charlotte, North Carolina. The image shows several prominent skyscrapers, including the Bank of America Corporate Center, which is brightly lit. A major highway, possibly I-77, runs diagonally through the center of the image, with its edges lined with warm white lights. The surrounding urban area is filled with various other buildings, some of which are also illuminated. The overall scene is a vibrant representation of a modern city at night.

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From the Editors

2007 marks the 50th anniversary of the North Carolina chapter of the American Planning Association (NCAPA). As such, it marks an appropriate occasion to reflect upon the achievements of the past and to look ahead to the challenges facing current and future planners over the next 50 years. In this special issue of *Carolina Planning*, our authors take up this task.

Continuing our ongoing series of contributions from NCAPA members, our first article highlights the eight planners chosen by NCAPA members as those most responsible for shaping the practice of professional planning in North Carolina over the past 50 years. Compiled by Denise Boswell, Shanelle Bullock, and Kimberly Leight, AICP from the submissions of NCAPA members, our second article pivots the thematic arc of this issue from the past to the future by highlighting those planning issues identified by NCAPA members as the emerging challenges of the next 50 years. These issues, which will run throughout the remaining articles in this edition, include managing population growth, addressing hazard mitigation and environmental quality, and ensuring adequate transportation infrastructure throughout the state.

In a wide-ranging interview, NCAPA President Michelle Nance reinforces the opportunities presented by these emerging issues, providing an excellent introduction for our featured articles, each of which examines an emerging issue in greater depth. Written by Dr. David Brower and Anna Schwab, our first feature provides a detailed analysis of the impact of the rising sea levels on coastal management and development in North Carolina. Another rising tide sweeping through North Carolina involves the dramatic surge in the Hispanic immigrant population, a subject of increasing controversy at the local levels. As part of her work with the Institute for Emerging Issues at North Carolina State University, Dr. Mai Nguyen has studied the impact of

these controversies on local anti-immigrant ordinances throughout the state, and her article discusses the central arguments for and against many of these local efforts. While most of Dr. Nguyen's article focuses on small and medium-sized towns, the central business districts of the state's larger cities will also see significant attention from planners over the next fifty years, as people continue to flock to revitalizing urban centers. In this vein, and in keeping with Carolina Planning tradition, we are proud to feature the UNC Department of City & Regional Planning's Best Master's Project from 2006, in which Mary Donegan (MRP '06) outlines ways to minimize economic inequalities arising from the Creative Class urban revitalization strategy proposed by Richard Florida.

This issue also provides a book review of *Planning and Urban Design Standards*, the leading reference for planning professionals.

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